



## The Gold Fields in Ellis County

WHERE THEY ARE. WHAT THEY ARE.  
A FEW FACTS TO STUDY OVER.

Stranger things have happened.

NOTICE THE HAND POINTS TO HAYS CITY  
AND ON TO THE GOLD FIELDS ON THE SMOKEY.

It MAY be OUR TURN NOW.

Years ago we boomed a North & South Railroad. We still believe "it might have been", but it got into bad hands; it fizzled and the "Free-Press" was censured for booming it.

This time we have kept quiet, watching events. Again the sun shines, the clouds have a silver lining, a beautiful rainbow circles our county, one end in the golden wheat fields, the other in the golden shale beds on the west Smokey hill valley, but we have kept quiet and watched, but the last 30 days has brought so many inquiries from our non resident subscribers; letters directed to *Some Newspaper*, containing subscriptions so they can learn the news, which the P. M. kindly puts in our box as the Official Co. paper and in the Push (so many that last week we contracted for 4 quire, 100 papers, more for a year) and we give herewith a map and few facts and all can draw their own conclusions.

The GOLD Fields are located in the Bad Lands in the southwest part of this county along the Smokey hill river valley and extend into Trego county. So rough it has not been homesteaded or settled on—so rough it couldn't be farmed, only fit to graze on—high shale bluffs. Now every claim is taken and fought for; every rough piece bought up—the rougher the better.

Stranger things have happened—Cripple creek was a wild cattle rancho, Klondyke a barren waste; Who would of thought of the salt, oil, zinc, natural gas or gypsum discoveries in Kansas—this may be another wonder of Kansas.

We had the privilege of examining the papers of these gold prospectors and take the liberty of telling a few facts; we found:

Look at a map of Kansas; note the great Salt deposits at Hutchinson on the Arkansas, and north 50 miles to Lyons and Kaopolis on the Smokey—none found north of that river, none to the south of Arkansas—showing this strip was the deep bottom of a former ocean, all drained that way. Notice another thing—the Arkansas starts in Colorado near Pueblo, runs down thro' Kansas to Hutchinson, then to the south and Mississippi, not a river running from the north into it. Republican river rising north of Denver, running east catching the Solomon, the Saline & Smokey rivers thence to Missouri; the Saline starting in northern Kansas & the Smokey hill starting near Kit Carson. Note that this Smokey river valley starts in the Rocky mountains at Pike's Peak and not a north & south river crossed that valley until you reach the Mississippi river, a perfect drainage valley from the mountains of Gold, thro' Ellis county to the great Mississippi. Did YOU ever notice this wonderful fact?—these men did. Again, shell formations are found in our rock, little sea shells found, and in the last 10 years the finest fossils known have been found in this valley west of us. Everything demonstrating our section was once a sea, then the Great American Desert, now the Paradise of Kansas; and the Smokey the main drainage canal between these big rivers. [The Universal 3 large vol. Geography of 1847 in

our library shows these rivers and facts)

And these men don't claim this gold is in veins or ledges like Colorado, but the washing from the Rocky mountains just as the most gold in the Klondyke is the washings near the streams; the first in California was the washings.

But WHY in Ellis county?

It is about 60 miles to these salt deposits, the main bottom of the former sea. And it is claimed our rugged, rough hills (the only ones along the river), caught and now hold in the shale these washings, and the great question is how to get it out. If hard rock it would break up, run off, and the Gold remains, but being shale with oil it putties in working taking the gold with it. A number of our citizens have sent samples to Assayers who report finding traces of gold. If some found then the theory is good and the great question is:

Is there enough Gold to pay?

A number of prominent Eastern people have stopped at the Brunns wick this week and visited the gold fields. Some bring picks and shovels, sacks to take away samples, and kodaks.

Hays City is the headquarters of the Company, Harvey Penney at the Brunswick hotel looks after visitors, a splendid road leads to the "Digging" and our two livery stables furnish fast teams at reasonable rates to drive out there.

The following big headlines and article appears in the *Topeka Journal* on Thursday.

Three Representatives of a London Syndicate Come to America to Invest in Kansas Mines.

A Short Grass Boom. Tests of the Shale from Ellis and Trego counties Completed at Colorado Smelter Makes a Good Showing English People Pleased with the Present Test.

Hays city, July 6th. Word has reached here from Denver that W. H. Patterson of Ontario, John H. Wanshope of Edinburgh and A. H. Bourne of London, representing a large English syndicate are in that city awaiting some Kansas men who are interested in the Trego-Ellis county mines. They came to America for the purpose of investing in the Kansas properties.

Mr. Patterson said, states the *News from Denver*: "It looks a very fine proposition. They have miles square of low grade deposit, in shale, of zinc and gold. It runs \$7 to \$10 a ton of gold and 25 per cent zinc. There is some petroleum found along with the ore."

They have been to Florence, Col. to watch the shale from Kansas tested by the new Beam process. The expense of treatment is less than \$1.50 per ton. Mr. Patterson continues:

"A lot of shale from Kansas assaying 25 per cent in zinc, 3 per cent petroleum and from \$1 to \$5 of gold was treated, after several experiments were made in the laboratory to ascertain the combination. The zinc was duly converted and the gold liberated, showing excellent results in the pan, while the quantity of petroleum in the shale was practically sufficient to do the roast."

Wheat is so scarce about here Yost is shipping it in by the cars from Toulon.

Philip Biddle had the bad luck to have his 4 year old mare die from colic this week.

Dr. Wilson has successfully removed the eye and tumor from the little Irwin—Fullerton girl.

FARLEY'S drug store is head quarters for pure fresh Drugs, fine cigars, etc. and selling agent for BEGG'S German salve.

Most of our farmers have completed their wheat harvest and some commenced plowing for the next crop.

Our subscribers should send this week's paper, containing the Gold Fields account, home to their friends, so they can see the facts, the papers all over the United States having articles in about our gold discoveries.

## Money to loan.

C. W. MILLER has now lots of money to loan on good land mortgages at Reasonable rates.

LAND FOR SALE AT REASONABLE PRICE. SEE OR WRITE ME.

Fires often occur from a defective flue, an over turned or exploded lamp and most times could be put out if a few pails of water can be got quick. George Philip believes this and has two barrels, filled with water, standing outside his store building ready for a call, and every store and residence should be so protected.

## A Threshers shack

for sale for less than the lumber cost to build one. Sold because I have no use for it. Here is a chance for a big bargain. See Israel Grenell. Hays P.O.

## Old Setler's Picnic

HAYS, THURSDAY AUG 17 on Big creek. Prepare to come. We Guarantee A Good Time. Worth Your while to Attend. H. W. JOY, Pres. F. E. McLain, Sec.

A meeting will be held on Saturday afternoon July 22nd at 2 o'clock at the office of the Secretary and every resident who has lived here 15 years or over is invited to be present and help arrange for the picnic.

## Restaurant at the Gold Field on the Smoky

I have opened a restaurant at Camp Burleigh, in the Gold Fields where you may get a fine Lunch at all hours.

Drive out and see the Diggins and get your Lunch at our place. H. H. BALLANTINE.

## Colt taken up.

Came to my farm last Friday a Brown bay colt, Owner can have by proving property and paying expenses.

PETER RIEDEL. 1 1/2 miles north of Munjor,

## Bay mare strayed.

A 6 year old, bay, with C brand on left hip, weighs about 1100. Had head balter on. Reward will be paid for information leading to her recovery. Address R. F. Joy, Hays P. O.

## chickens

will be Lousy this summer: Use LIQUID LICE KILLER, Guaranteed to kill Lice, Mites, Fleas, Chiggers and Bed Bugs.

Will destroy Lice in your Poultry houses and on your chickens in one night by painting the roosts, nest boxes and floor. A small quantity on a cloth and rub slight ly over Horses and Cattle will keep Flies from annoying them in Summer. Also good for lousy horses and cattle. Will drive rats, mice and Gophers out of any building. Kills Lice on Plants and Vines. Quarts 25c. Gallon 75c. Sold by B. C. Arnold

Mfg. of HARNESS & SADDLES Hays City, Kansas.

## Go to Kohl's drug store for

Your MEDICINE. He will treat you right and you can rest assured you get what you want. Or if you have a Prescription he will put it up just what it calls for, just what YOUR Dr. orders.

If you are not a subscriber you should send us 50 cts. of \$1 and get the paper and keep posted on the Gold Fields the next 6 months or year.

Rush county paid for 161 coy-ote scalps to June 30th. So many out of harms way.

Mrs J H Reeder left on Monday for a 3 months visit with her relatives in North Carolina.

BABY'S LIFE can be saved by having Beggs' Diarrhea Balsam on hand. Cures flux and cholera infantum. We keep it at Farley's.

Word from our old townman, Fred Krueger shows he has located with a big implement firm in Sacramento and given up the idea of a trip to the Klondyke section. Good for him.

Monday morning the first threshing machine pulled out, Krouse, south of town, proposing to have his wheat threshed from the header box as fast as cut. No rain to spoil any stacks of his. Turning out 17 bushel No. 2 to the acre.

Some of our readers wondered on reading that Mrs. Grant Blackman had applied for a divorce. He may have made her believe he was innocent here but when he escaped, and soon after committed a burglary in Lyon county and sent to prison at Lansing for five years she didn't propose to be tied to that kind of a man.

Southeast part of the county had a terrific rain last week, from six to 10 inches of water falling, the creeks rising, and the bridge at Maxwell rancho over Big creek on road Pfeiffer to Victoria washed out.

PHYSICIANS, we want U to prescribe "Beggs' Little Giant Pills", a most pleasant cathartic, they will cure old chronic cases of Liver troubles. We sell it. Farley.

Annual school meeting, July 27. Notices of the annual school meeting should be posted by the 15th.

A treasurer and officers to fill vacancies, if any, are to be elected this year.

According to a recent ruling of the state superintendent, no revenue stamp is required upon the district treasurer's bond.

## Cottage for sale.

The cozy cottage of Mrs. Mary E. Maurer, on east Juniata street. Has a fine big lot, trees, barn, etc. Will be sold cheap, on easy terms. Apply to Reeder & Reeder.

## COUNTY WARRANTS.

Interest Expires July 25, 1899. Notice is hereby given that all registered Ellis county warrants, register No. 1895 to 2000, must be presented to me for payment on or before July 25th, 1899. Upon failure of the parties holding any of such warrants the interest will cease on the day above mentioned. PHILIP JACOBS, Co. Treas. Ellis Co.

## Stop Gunning there.

Hays city, July 6, 1899. All hunting with or without a gun, is most positively forbidden after this date, on the East 1/4 S.E. 1/4 of section 28, town 13, range 18 Ellis county, Kan. known as the Martin Allen farm. Remember that the law protects the Farm to the centre of the road on either end or side. This notice is made most necessary, by the fact that birds of all kinds are needed for the protection of the growing trees, against the Grass-Hoppers, which are so plenty. I trust that the people will be kind enough to respect this notice. C. W. MILLER.

You can't cure dyspepsia by dieting. Eat good, wholesome food and plenty of it.—Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests food without aid from the stomach, and is made to CURE J. C. Farley.

27,50. This greatly Reduced rate 27,50 has been made by the Union Pacific to California points. Through tourist sleepers, quicker time than any other line. For tickets and full information call on D. Taylor, Agent, Hays.

## LOOK. LOOK.

Shelf hardware, tinware, stoves, oils and gasoline at prices reduced to suit "hard times" at E. R. COLE'S The old reliable hardware store corner South Chestnut sts. Hays city.

## THE NEW RUSSIAN DOCTOR IN TOWN:

Dr. Otto von Mueller, THE ONLY RUSSIAN SPECIALIST IN THE UNITED STATES.

Formerly Professor of the Russian Medical College, & now Retired Surgeon of the Russian Army.

Who is now traveling through the United States and has enjoyed wonderful success during his travels throughout European cities. Africa, Australia, and Asia.

All invalids who visit him before the 22nd of July, 1899, will receive THREE MONTHS service FREE. His long practice in the largest Hospitals of the world enables him to successfully treat all chronic diseases, such as bronchitis, asthma and consumption, rheumatism, sleeplessness, brain and nervous exhaustion, paralysis, neuralgia, headache, fits, St. Vitus dance, cancers, tumors, skin diseases including freckles, pimples, ulcers, salt rheum, etc.; also heart, liver, stomach and kidney diseases, nervous debility, confusion of ideas, aversion of society, loss of memory and energy, etc. Diseases of the eye and ear are quickly and permanently cured by an original and never-failing treatment. Cures guaranteed where others have failed, but we will not accept incurable cases. He will examine you thoroughly, and if curable he will frankly tell you so.

Young men who have become victims of solitary vice, that dreaded habit that sweeps annually to an untimely grave thousands of young men of exalted talent and brilliant intellect, may call with confidence. Take one candid thought before it is too late. A week or a month may place your case beyond reach of hope. Remember it costs you nothing to consult this eminent specialist, and therefore the most humble in circumstances can avail themselves of his vast experience. Catarrh and catarrhal deafness is positively and permanently cured. Dr. Von Muller gives special attention to the diseases of ladies, and all female diseases. The Doctor can be consulted at ELLIS on 15th of each month. RUSSELL on 8th & 22nd of each month. At his office on East Juniata street in HAYS balance of the month.

## Black muley bull Reward to be

Lost. Strayed from my herd a Black Year old Muley Bull, branded 2 on left rump. Information of its whereabouts will be liberally rewarded on sending word to R. H. MacDade, Lincoln, Kas.

## Red cow RUN AWAY

Strayed from our farm 4 miles east of Ellis on June 20, a red cow branded 2 on left hip and had a wire stile or poke on. Finder will be rewarded on sending word to Kepple Disney, Ellis P. O.

## Cow strayed.

A dehorned, dry cow, branded a figure 2, with a wire stile on, strayed from my farm east of Hays on June 19th. Finder will be rewarded on sending word to Henry McGuire, Hays P. O.

## Photographs.

Having taken charge of the Photograph gallery at Plainville, until further notice I will be in Plainville each month from about the 1st to the 15th, and in Hays from the 16th to the last of month. Being better fixed than ever to take photos and views we invite your patronage and guarantee satisfaction in work and prices. Judd Wood.

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You are hereby notified that J. B. Cram has filed a petition against you in the above named Court, for a Divorce and that you must answer the petition filed by the said plaintiff; on or before the 5th day of August, 1899, or the petition will be taken as true, and judgment for divorce will be rendered accordingly. Attest: Henry Knoche, Clerk District Court. J. P. Shutt, Atty for Plf. Je 24 J 15. pt fees \$30

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The Ellis paper suggests L. A. Ross as an available republican candidate for Sheriff.

Baumer is now giving the G. A. R. hall a coat of paint, much improving it.

YELLOW SKIN.—Yellow, greasy complexion can be cured by using Beggs' Little Giant Pills for the Liver. Very small, safe and pleasant. Sold by Farley.

Council met this week, reduced the Marshal's salary to \$1 a month he having gone out to harvest.

Also ordered the town pump in front of Rupp's store repaired. Good idea. Would be handy in case of fire.

George Grass has leased his store room to a new firm, H. S. Barn & Co., and will go out of business, Lester moves to the room in Yost's new building. The new firm will open up with dry goods and clothing. Grass has been running business many years and will now rest a while.

Gun-shot wounds and powder burns, cuts, bruises, sprains, wounds from rusty nails, insect stings and ivy poisoning.—quickly healed by De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. Positively prevents blood poisoning. Beware of counterfeits. "De Witt's" is SAFE and SURE. J. C. Farley.

**MONEY** To PATENT Good Ideas may be secured by our aid. Address THE PATENT RECORD, Baltimore, Md. Subscriptions to The Patent Record \$1.00 per annum.

Yes, the Court made the bail bond of the boys \$250 and whiskey men \$1000. It was the first, and yet unproven case against the boys. The docket has for years had the other cases on. Young Staab was pardoned by Gov. Leedy under a straight promise that he would keep out of the business and he violated that pledge.

CAUTION should be used in buying a Colic and Diarrhea medicine. Very hot preparations are injurious to the lining of the stomach and are absolutely dangerous for children to take. Beggs' Diarrhea Balsam is guaranteed to cure colic, cholera infantum and Flux. It is harmless. We keep it. Farley.

The corps of teachers for the next year at Ellis will in all probability be, Prot C. A. Strong of Seneca, Kan. Misses May C. Kingsley, Carrie Walker, Iona Brosius, Ethel Gehring.

Prof. C. A. Strong is 39 years of age, married, has been superintendent of schools at Westmore and Clifton, Kan., and county superintendent of Nemaha county. He is highly recommended by Miss Myra Peters, formerly teacher in our public schools, who is personally acquainted with him.

\$25.00 The Union Pacific has made the Greatly Reduced Rate of \$25, to PORTLAND and other Puget Sound points, also to Helena and Montana points, Salt Lake city and Utah points. For tickets and full information call on D. Taylor, Agent at HAYS.

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## Chicago Live Stock Commission Co.

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## BROWN & RIEDEL.

## HARDWARE.

Remember if you want to buy hoes, rakes or forks. Nails and all kinds of hardware. Tinware of all kinds, or want tins mended, or roof tinned or fixed. that we are in the business opposite Yost's mill, have a big stock of goods on hand which we are selling at lowest prices, or do the work at lowest possible price.

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